Target Market Determination

For Bendigo Non-Individual Residential Investment Home Loan

BEN-NIRIL

Product

This target market determination (TMD) applies to Bendigo Bank's Non-Individual Residential Investment Home Loan product.

Issuer

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178 AFSL / Australian Credit Licence 237879 (Bendigo Bank).

Date from which this target market determination is effective

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1. Target market for this product

Target Market

The retail clients for whom this product has been designed are trusts (discretionary or family) with a corporate trustee or non-trading companies who:

- want a term loan (up to 25 years) to finance or refinance the acquisition of a residential property for residential investment purposes;
- want variable interest rates, with the ability to apply for a fixed interest rate for up to 5 years;
- want to make principal and interest payments over the term of the loan, with the ability to apply for an interest only
 period of up to 5 years;
- want flexibility to make additional repayments and have access to those early repayments;
- · want access to Bendigo Home Loan specialists;
- · can afford the loan and the annual fees; and
- can provide the residential property as security for the loan.

Product Description

Bendigo Bank's Non-Individual Residential Investment Home Loan is term loan (up to a maximum term of 25 years) which is used to finance or refinance the acquisition of residential property by retail clients who are trusts with a corporate trustee or non-trading companies. Retail clients have access to Bendigo Home Loan specialists and can tailor the home loan to their needs including the ability to apply for a fixed interest or interest only period for up to 5 years. A variable interest rate otherwise applies to the Bendigo Home Loan. This home loan allows retail clients to make additional repayments and the ability to access those repayments. Regular repayments of principal and interest or interest only are required over the term of the loan.

Product key attributes

The key attributes of this product that make it likely to be consistent with the target market described above, include:

Attribute	Appropriate for	
Term loan	Retail clients that want to repay their loan over medium to long term period (up to a maximum of 25 years).	
Residential investment	Retail clients who want to finance or refinance a residential property for use as a residential investment property. This product may not be suitable for retail clients who will use the property as their principal place of residence or for business purposes.	



Attribute	Appropriate for	
Suitable Entity Type	Non-trading companies – all directors are to be listed as guarantors of the loan.	
	Family or Discretionary Trusts where there is a corporate trustee – all beneficiaries are natural persons.	
	This product may not be suitable where all parties to the business are individuals, and the business is not a corporate entity (e.g. a company).	
Regular repayments of principal and interest	Retail clients who want to make regular scheduled principal and interest repayments over the term of the loan. Retail clients are able to set up weekly, fortnightly or monthly repayment frequencies.	
	Retail clients have the ability to apply for an interest only period for up to 5 years of the loan term. See the sub-target market for interest only period below.	
Variable interest rate	A variable interest rate means the interest rate may increase or decrease over the term of the loan. This product may not be suitable for retail clients who require certainty around repayments by having a fixed interest rate.	
	Retail clients have the ability to apply for a fixed interest period of up to 5 years of the loan term. See the sub-target market for fixed interest rate period below.	
Early repayments	Retail clients who want the flexibility to make additional repayments without incurring early repayment fees and the ability to access those repayments.	
Redraw	Retail clients can access additional repayments through the redraw function in internet banking (1 repayment amount is preserved and not accessible).	
Minimum deposit	Retail clients that need to borrow up to 80% of the property value, depending on the product configuration, and can provide a deposit as required.	
Security over residential property	Retail clients that can use the residential property they have acquired with the loan as security for it.	



Sub-target market: Fixed interest rate period

The additional key attributes for the sub-target market of this product, that make it likely to be consistent with the target market described above of customers wanting a fixed interest rate period include:

Attribute	Appropriate for		
Fixed interest rate	Retail clients who require certainty around repayments by having a fixed interest rate have the ability to apply to fix their interest rate for a nominated period of up to 5 years. For the duration of the fixed interest period, retail clients have limited ability to make additional repayments without incurring early repayment costs.		
	At the end of the period, the retail client has the ability to apply for a new fixed interest rate period, capped at no more than five years and within the remaining term of the loan, otherwise the home loan will convert to a variable rate loan.		
Early repayments	For fixed rate loans additional repayments during the fixed rate period are capped at 20% of the principal amount at the commencement or the fixed rate period. Repayments above this cap, or changes to the fixed rate period (e.g. ending it early), may incur additional fees or charges (e.g. break costs).		

Sub-target market: Interest only period

The additional key attributes for the sub-target market of this product, that make it likely to be consistent with the target market described above of customers wanting an interest only period include:

Attribute	Appropriate for	
Interest only period (prior to regular repayments of principal and interest)	Retail clients who want the ability to apply to pay interest only for a specified period of their home loan (up to 5 years). At the end of the interest only period, regular scheduled principal and interest payments will be required for the remaining loan term. Interest payments during the interest only period are made on a monthly frequency.	

2. How this product is to be distributed

Bendigo Bank applies certain conditions and restrictions to the distribution of this product so that distribution is likely to be to retail clients within the target market for this product. The conditions and restrictions are:

	This product is to be distributed only through the following channels:	
Channel	 Bendigo Bank and Community Bank branches; Bendigo Bank's Mobile Relationship Managers; and Bendigo Bank's Business Bankers; and Bendigo Bank's Agribusiness Bankers. 	
	The following additional conditions and restrictions also apply to the distribution of this product:	
Additional conditions or restrictions	 Only prospective retail clients who meet Bendigo Bank's minimum eligibility criteria for the product should submit an application for this product; This product can only be issued to retail clients after applying Bendigo Bank's affordability and suitability processes; and This product can only be issued (or arranged to be issued) by persons who are trained and accredited. 	



3. Reviewing this target market determination

Bendigo Bank will review this TMD as set out below:

Initial review	Within the first year of the effective date.		
Periodic reviews	At least every 12 months from the initial review.		
Review triggers or events	 Any event or circumstances arising that would reasonably suggest the TMD is no longer appropriate. This may include (but is not limited to): a material change to the design or distribution of the product, including related documentation; occurrence of a significant dealing; distribution conditions found to be inadequate in ensuring that the product is issued to retail clients who are likely to be in the target market; relevant changes in the law or its application, a change in an industry code or decision of a court or other body (including through regulatory guidance) that materially affects the product; significant changes in metrics, including, but not limited to: a material increase in the number of complaints in relation to a product or aspect of a product; the level of retail clients experiencing hardship such as falling into arrears; an increase in early termination of the product; and any other event occurs, or information is received that reasonably suggests this TMD is no longer appropriate. 		

4. Reporting and monitoring this target market determination

Bendigo Bank's third-party distributors who are regulated persons will need to collect, keep and report the following information to Bendigo Bank:

Туре	Description of information	Frequency of reporting
Complaints	Customer complaints made in relation to this product. This includes: • written details of the complaint; and • the number of complaints during the reporting period.	Reporting period: Monthly When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.
Sales data	Sales and customer data in relation to this product as requested by Bendigo Bank.	Reporting period: Monthly When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the end of the reporting period.
Significant dealings	The following information: • details of the significant dealing; • the date (or range) on which the significant dealing occurred; • why the distributor considers the dealing to be significant (including why it is inconsistent with this TMD); and • how the dealing was identified.	When does the regulated person have to report: Within 10 business days of the distributor becoming aware of the dealing.

